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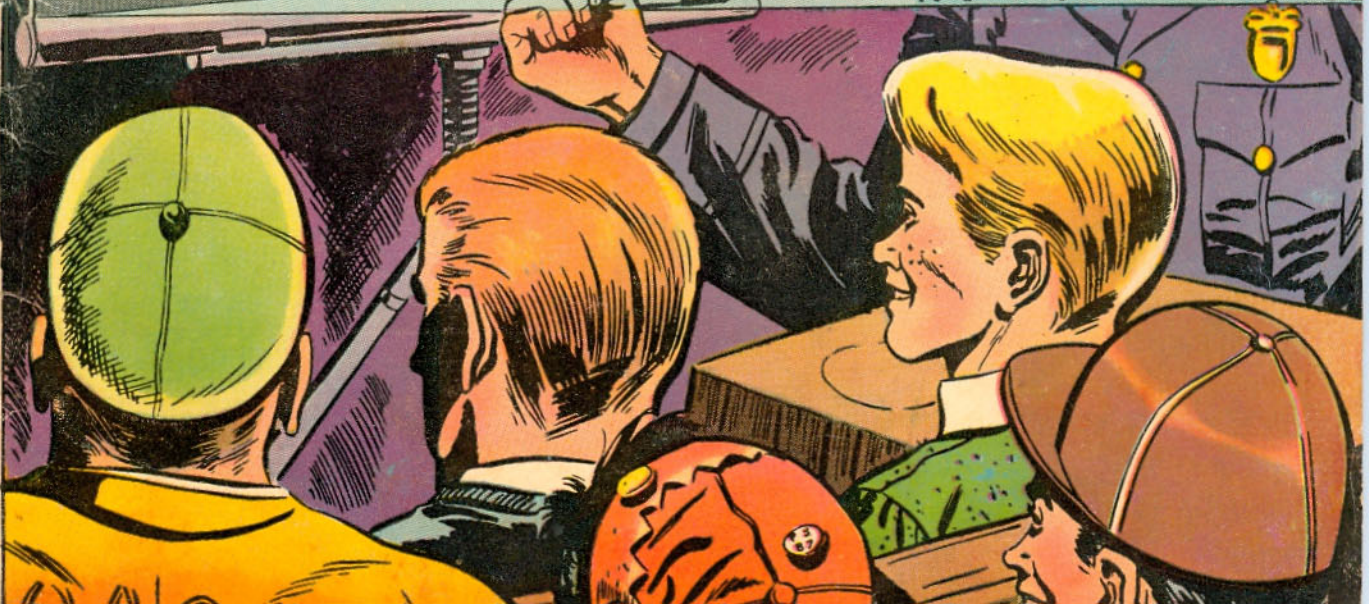
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CAN ANY OF YOU
BOYS IDENTIFY
THIS MAN?





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MOST BOYS IN THEIR TEENS HAVE THEIR OWN PARTICULAR FRIENDS... AND TOO OFTEN THAT FRIEND IS A DECIDING FACTOR IN HOW THE BOY'S CHARACTER WILL DEVELOP! KIDS IN THE POORER NEIGHBORHOODS LOOK AROUND AND OFTEN SEE THE OLDER HOODLUMS AS SHINING KNIGHTS INSTEAD OF WHAT THEY REALLY ARE! THE **POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE** WAS ORGANIZED FOR KIDS LIKE THESE! SAM BARTON, ROOKIE COP, WAS INTRODUCED TO THE PAL IN A WAY THAT BROUGHT THE LESSON HOME TO HIM HARD!

The HERO WORSHIPPER!

MY BROTHER DANNY HAS BEEN RESTLESS LATELY... WE HARDLY EVER SEE HIM ANY MORE! THERE HE IS NOW... WITH THAT AWFUL GANG, THE ACES!

THE ACES, ELLEN, THEY'RE A BAD BUNCH! KEEP HIM AWAY FROM THEM!

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DANNY, I WANT TO TALK TO YOU DANNY! COME HERE PLEASE!

AWW, SIS -- I LIKE THE COMPANY OVER HERE!

DANNY! YOU APOLOGIZE RIGHT NOW!

EASY, ELLEN! DANNY ISN'T TOO FOND OF THE POLICE, ARE YOU, BOY?

YOU SAID IT, I DIDN'T! BUT SINCE YOU MENTIONED IT, I'M NOT!

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YOU LIKE THE WAY THE ACES OPERATE, IS THAT IT?

WHY NOT?

THE ACES, LONG VERSED IN THE WAYS OF CRIME, WATCHED THE BYPLAY-- READY TO CAPITALIZE ON ANY WEAKNESS THEY SAW

HEY, DANNY-- YOU A COP LOVER NOW?

STAY OUT OF THIS, BUSTER!

WHY SHOULD HE? HE'S A FRIEND OF MINE, HUH BULL?



I KNOW YOU, BARTON, I HEAR YOU'RE A REAL EAGER ROOKIE, IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE A GUN, I'D FIND OUT HOW REALLY GOOD YOU ARE!

THAT'S EASY, CROUSE! STICK AROUND A MINUTE!



SAM, DON'T DO IT! THEY'LL GANG UP ON YOU!

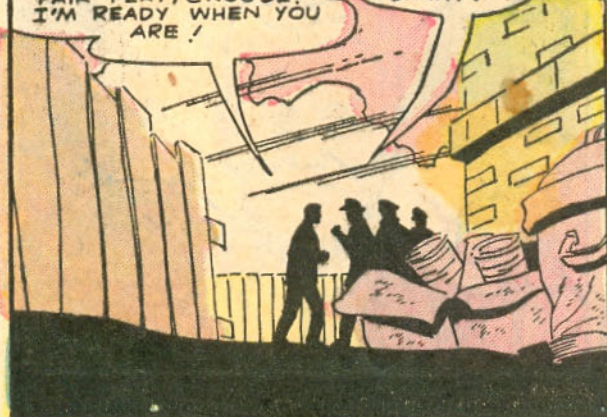
I HOPE THEY DO! THEN DANNY WILL SEE WHAT FAKES THEY ARE!



THE ACES THOUGHT THEY HAD THEIR VICTIM ALL SEWED UP... A VICTIM THEY'D LOVE TO BEAT DOWN ...

I DON'T EXPECT FAIR PLAY, CROUSE! I'M READY WHEN YOU ARE!

WATCH THIS, DANNY!



STAND UP AND FIGHT, FELLOW!

I'LL DO THIS MY OWN WAY!



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SAM IS BEATING BULL CROUSE / I-I DIDN'T THINK HE COULD DO IT!



COME ON-- I'LL GET HIM WITH THIS!

LOOK OUT-- I'LL GET HIM WITH THIS!



THE LOOK OF PURE HATRED ON THE FACES OF THE HOODLUMS AND THE UNFAIR TACTICS THEY USED SUDDENLY CHANGED DANNY'S MIND

LOOK OUT, SAM!

NICE GOING, DANNY! I'LL BE WITH YOU IN A SECOND!



AREN'T YOU GOING TO ARREST THEM?

NO, DANNY! THEY'LL PULL SOMETHING SERIOUS ONE OF THESE DAYS AND BE IN **SERIOUS** TROUBLE! MAYBE I'LL BE AROUND THEN! HOW ABOUT GOING FOR A SWIM?



SAM! I'M SO GLAD, I WAS WORRIED ABOUT BOTH OF YOU!

AW, THEY COULDN'T BEAT US! WHERE IS THIS SWIMMING PLACE, SAM?

THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE POOL! IT'S A GOOD OUTFIT, DANNY!



WE HAVE A SWIMMING TEAM AS WELL AS BOXING AND BASEBALL TEAMS! YOU'LL MEET A BUNCH OF KIDS YOUR OWN AGE THERE, DANNY-- KIDS WHO FIGHT **FAIR**! HOW ABOUT BOTH OF US GOING FOR A DIP?

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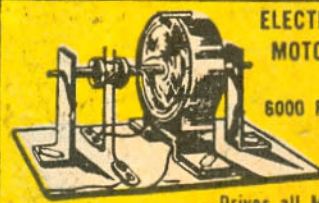
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THE P.A.L. HAS BRANCHES ALL OVER THE CITY... MANNED BY POLICE WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR SPARE TIME... SUPPORTED BY A GENEROUS PUBLIC AWARE OF THE NEED FOR THIS WONDERFUL ORGANIZATION.....

I'LL COACH THE GAME, JOE-- I'D LIKE TO WORK WITH YOU BOYS FROM NOW ON IF IT'LL HELP ANY!

HELLO, SAM! GLAD YOU'RE HERE.... I NEED SOMEONE TO REFEREE THE BASKETBALL GAME! WHO'S THE HUSKY LAD HERE? IS HE JOINING UP?

YES, SIR, IF YOU'LL LET ME! I'M A FRIEND OF SAM BARTON'S!



THE ROOKIE COP SPENT ALMOST ALL HIS SPARE TIME FROM THEN ON IN P.A.L. WORK.... AND HE HAD A WILLING HELPER IN DANNY BANKS....

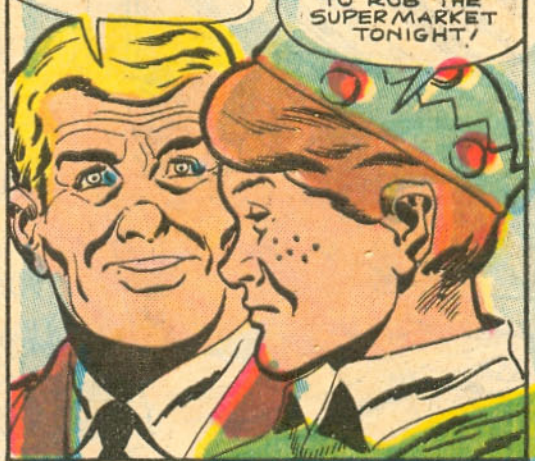
YOU'RE PRETTY QUIET TODAY, DANNY... WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

WELL, WE'RE PALS NOW, SAM... BUT ONCE I WAS FRIENDS WITH... YOU KNOW! WELL, I HEARD SOMETHING!



YOU MEAN ABOUT THE ACES? DON'T TELL ME IF YOU DON'T WANT TO, DAN!

I'LL TELL YOU, SAM! I HEARD BULL CROUSE SAY THEY'RE GOING TO ROB THE SUPERMARKET TONIGHT!



SHOULD I HAVE TOLD YOU, SAM? DID I SQUEAL?

YOU DID THE RIGHT THING, DANNY... NOW, GO HOME... I HAVE TO MAKE A CALL!



THAT'S RIGHT, SERGEANT! THE SUPERMARKET ON TWELFTH STREET... IT MAY BE A FALSE ALARM BUT I'LL KEEP AN EYE ON IT!



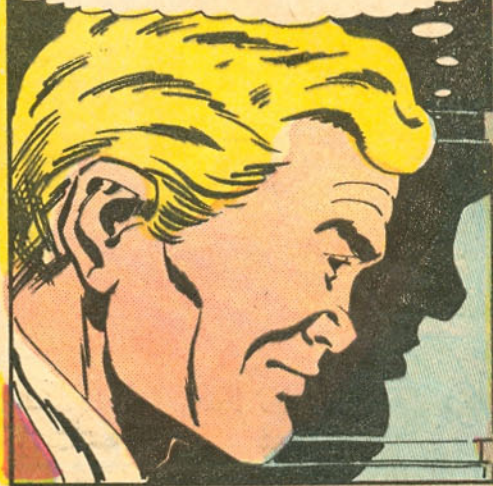
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THOUGH ON HIS DAY OFF, THE ROOKIE COP WAITED UNSEEN IN A DOORWAY NEAR THE INTERSECTION ... BUT WAS HE UNSEEN



THERE HE IS, BULL! HE FELL FOR IT HOOK LINE AND SINKER! YOU START WORKIN' ON THE CASH REGISTER -- WE'LL DO OUR PART!

THAT'S CROUSE -- AND HE'S ALONE! I'LL GIVE HIM TIME ENOUGH TO GET INSIDE!



WAITING TILL BULL CROUSE HAD THE REGISTER OPEN, SAM BARTON DREW HIS GUN AND ENTERED -- THE DOOR WAS OPEN AS CROUSE HAD LEFT IT

DROP IT, CROUSE! YOU'RE IN TROUBLE THIS TIME!

I AM? MAYBE -- BUT MAYBE YOU'RE IN MORE TROUBLE, BARTON!



FREEZE BARTON! ... OR MAKE IT EASY FOR US AND TRY A PLAY! WE HOOKED YOU ON THIS PLAY! WE WANTED YOU HERE!

WELL, HERE IS WHERE I AM! I WONDERED WHERE BULL'S LITTLE HELPERS WERE! WHAT'S NEXT ON THE SCHEDULE?

WE GET EVEN WITH YOU FIRST, BARTON -- THEN WE TAKE EVERY BUCK IN THE JOINT! THAT WON'T LOOK SO HOT ON YOUR RECORD!



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IT WAS A STALEMATE -- THE ROOKIE COP'S GUN WAS ON THE FLOOR AND THE WAITING GUNMEN WERE SPREADING OUT... THEN, THE DOOR CRASHED OPEN....



THEY TRIED TO MOUSE-TRAP YOU, SAM! YOU DID A NICE JOB UNTIL WE SHOWED UP! THE CAPTAIN MIGHT PUT IN FOR A COMMENDATION FOR YOU!

I DON'T WANT IT-- THE ONE WHO DESERVES IT IS A MEMBER OF THE P.A.L.!



YOUNG DANNY BANKS WAS PROUD OF HIS P.A.L. TEACHER AND FRIEND WHEN HE HEARD THE DETAILS... AND SAM WAS EQUALLY PROUD OF DANNY...



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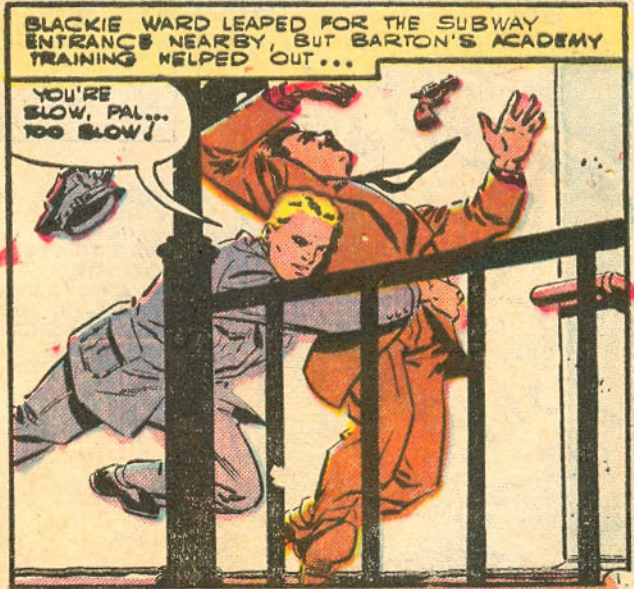
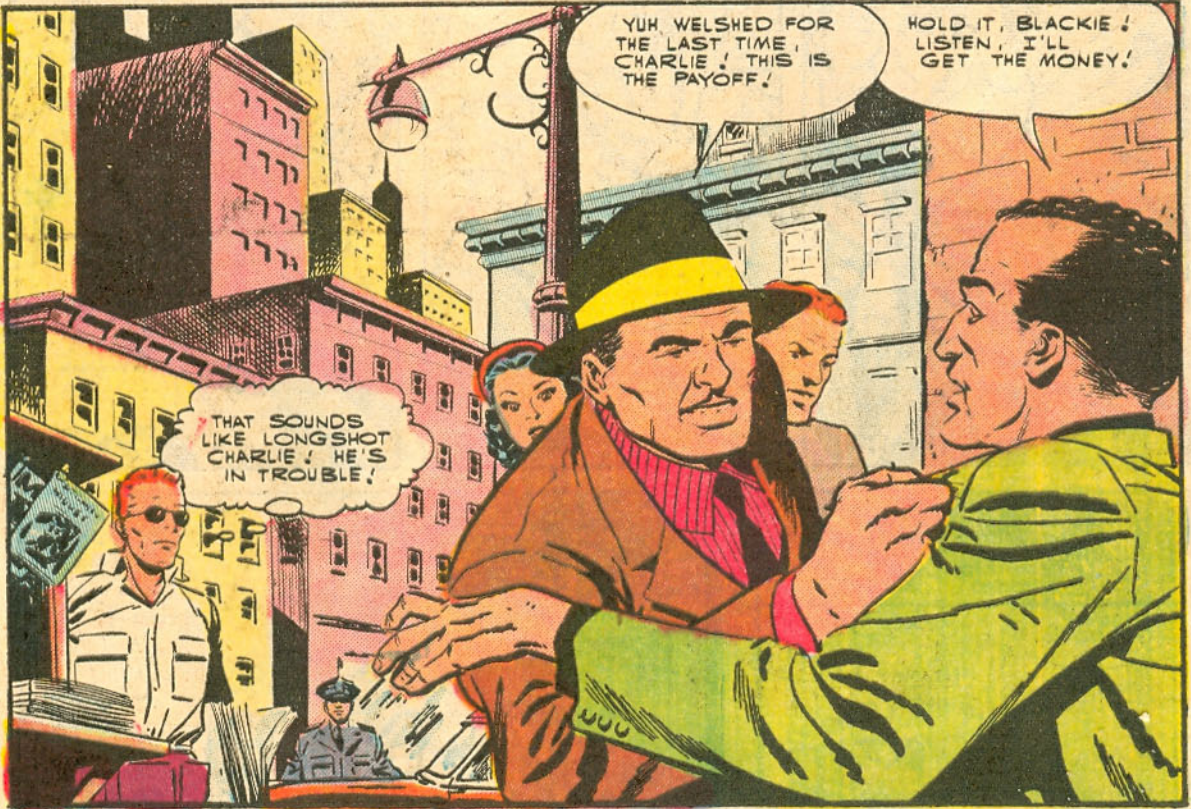
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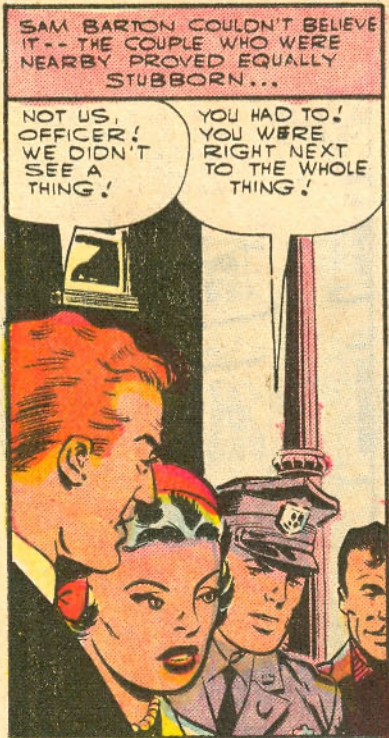
in THE WITNESS COULDN'T SEE

WHEN A ROOKIE COP BEGINS HIS CAREER, HE HAS A LOT OF SHINING IDEAS THAT HAVE TO BE UNLEARNED IN THE HARD, BITTER SCHOOL OF EXPERIENCE. SAM BARTON'S FIRST LESSON CAME WHEN HE WAS ASSIGNED TO TRAFFIC DUTY IN MIDTOWN...

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WHETHER YOU COOPERATE OR NOT, THIS GUY IS GOING TO JAIL, AT LEAST ONE MAN-- A BLIND ONE AT THAT-- HAS THE COURAGE TO DO HIS DUTY!

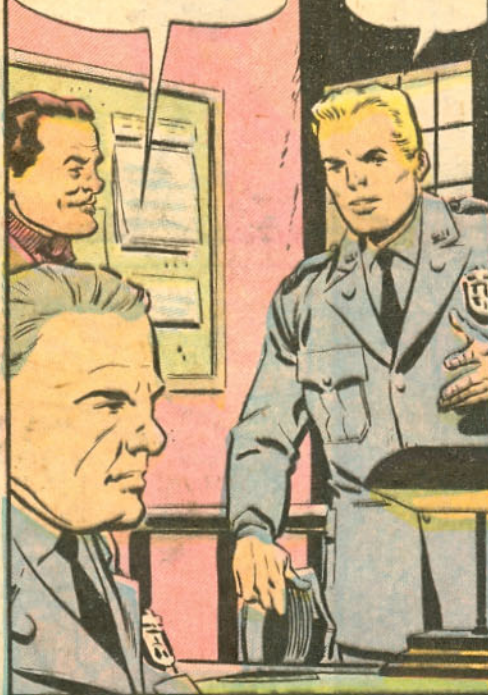
LISTEN, MAC, ME AND THE OTHERS JUST DON'T LIKE TROUBLE! PETE LANG IS HEADING FOR TROUBLE IF HE TESTIFIES!



A POLICE CAR ARRIVED AND BLACKIE WARD WAS TAKEN TO THE STATION HOUSE, EVEN SAM BARTON'S CAPTAIN WAS DOUBTFUL ABOUT AN INDICTMENT...

I KNOW WARD IS A PROFESSIONAL GUNMAN, BUT CAN A BLIND MAN'S WORD GET US A CONVICTION?

I THINK SO! IT'S WORTH A TRY ANYHOW!



I HEARD WARD SAY THIS IS THE PAY-OFF, I COULD PICK HIS VOICE OUT OF THOUSANDS! HE'D HARM HIS BEST FRIEND IF THE PRICE WAS RIGHT!



THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AGREED TO PROSECUTE IF SAM BARTON'S WITNESS COULD IDENTIFY WARD'S VOICE...

YOU WELSHED FOR THE LAST TIME, CHARLIE! THIS IS THE PAYOFF!

THAT'S NOT THE VOICE EITHER!



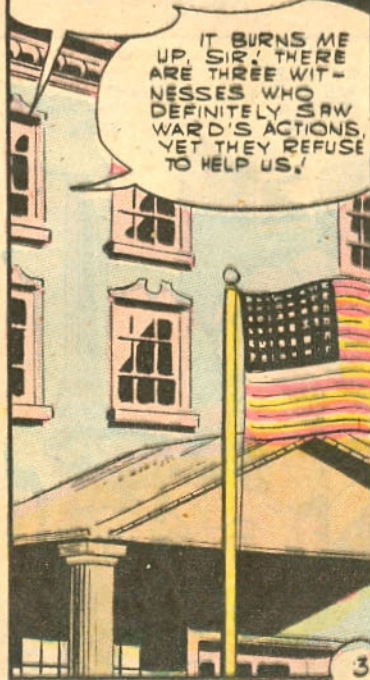
...FOR THE LAST TIME CHARLIE! THIS IS THE PAYOFF!

THAT'S HIM! THAT'S THE MAN WHO TRIED TO HURT CHARLIE!

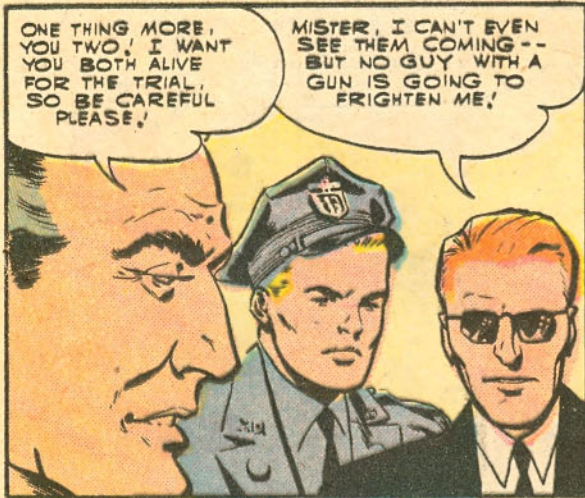


IT'S ENOUGH TO START WITH, BARTON! WE'LL TAKE IT TO A JURY!

IT BURNS ME UP, SIR! THERE ARE THREE WITNESSES WHO DEFINITELY SAW WARD'S ACTIONS, YET THEY REFUSE TO HELP US!



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ONE THING MORE, YOU TWO, I WANT YOU BOTH ALIVE FOR THE TRIAL, SO BE CAREFUL PLEASE!

MISTER, I CAN'T EVEN SEE THEM COMING -- BUT NO GUY WITH A GUN IS GOING TO FRIGHTEN ME!

SAM BARTON ASKED TO BE ASSIGNED TO THAT CORNER SO HE COULD GUARD HIS SIGHTLESS WITNESS...



DON'T WORRY, SAM, THEY WON'T COME AFTER ME -- THEY DON'T THINK MY TESTIMONY WILL CONVICT BLACKIE WARD, I DON'T EITHER!

I'LL STILL KEEP AN EYE ON YOU -- EVEN WHEN I'M OFF DUTY!



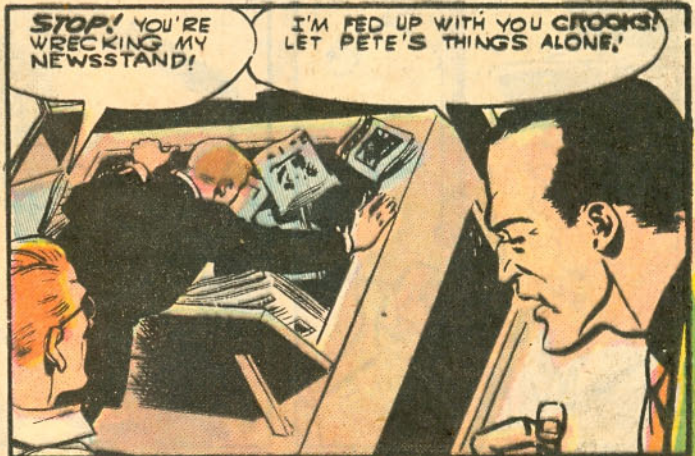
GET IN THE CAR, BARTON, WE HAVE TO PICK UP A PRISONER!

RIGHT, SERGEANT! WATCH YOURSELF, PETE!



HERE'S OUR PIGEON! WRECK HIS BUSINESS, AL!

HE'S GOT IT COMIN'! HE'S TRYING TO PUT BLACKIE ON THE SPOT!



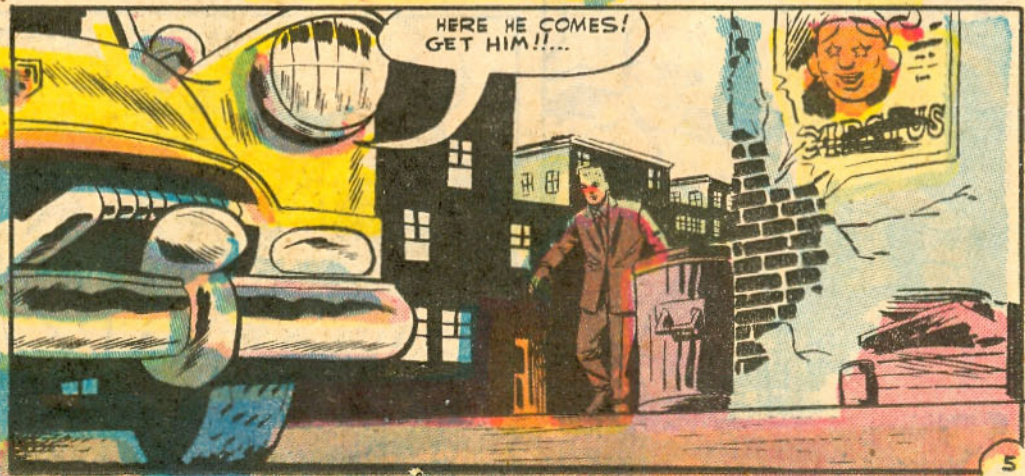
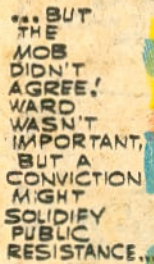
STOP! YOU'RE WRECKING MY NEWSSTAND!

I'M FED UP WITH YOU CROOKS! LET PETE'S THINGS ALONE!

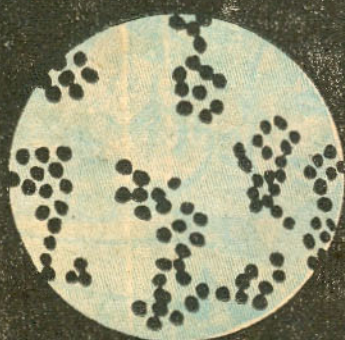


I KNUCKLED UNDER TO THE MOB LONG ENOUGH -- BUT WHEN YOU START GOING AFTER GUYS LIKE PETE, I'M THROUGH!!

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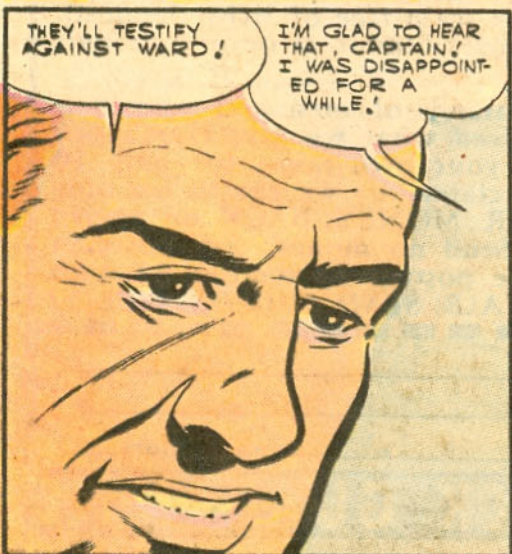
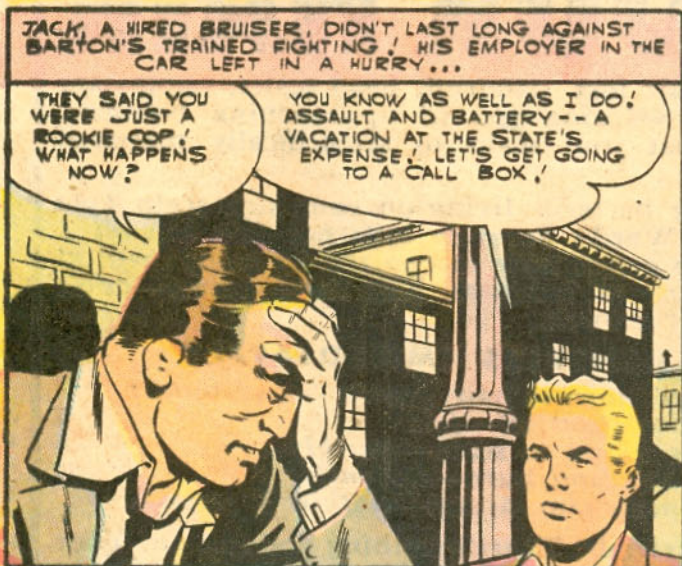
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DOUBLE MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

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SO A BLIND WITNESS' COURAGE SHOWED OTHER PEOPLE THE WAY... AND ROOKIE COP SAM BARTON LEARNED THAT THE PUBLIC CAN HELP FIGHT CRIME...



THE END

"NUMBER 8723"

"When I retire," declared Al Norton of Special Squad, "I am going to try to invent a new kind of checker game. Now take that last game we played. If you hadn't taken that first man, I would have won that game. I didn't see that man at all. Now don't tell me it is eye trouble. The checkers are too small. I am going to make a set of checkers that will be so big you can see them a mile away."

"Bet if you won the last five games," replied his buddy, Detective Ben Egan, "you won't be in such a mood. But cheer up. The park department is building shelters for checker players. So when you grow old, and if I am still around, we can play out in the fresh air. Then come back to the Police Department once a month to get our pension checks."

There was a knock on the door and before Ben Egan could get the two words, "Come in," out of his mouth, the door opened. A young man, probably not more than twenty one entered. He had sandy hair, wore a pair of dark blue slacks and a sport shirt.

"The Sergeant at the desk told me to see you. Said you fellows could help me. My name is Dave Novack."

"Take a chair and tell us what is on your mind," suggested Detective Al Norton. "And don't leave out the smallest detail. It may help a lot."

The young fellow began to wring his hands and it was quite evident he was nervous. He looked at both detectives for about two minutes and finally got the words past his lips.

"I work for Herman Brennan. He runs the grocery store on Madison and Pine. I help around the store. But most of the time I do deliveries. It happened two days ago. Just after I made my last delivery. This big fellow comes over to me. Shows me a police badge. Says he is a detective. He has been watching me and said I was acting suspiciously. Said he was going to take me to the precinct house and book me. I got so scared. Had ten dollars

on me. Offered it to him. But he wanted twenty more. I don't get paid until tomorrow. Said he would come around and get the rest. Then I did some thinking. I hadn't done anything wrong. So I told Mr. Brennan what happened. He made me come over here."

Al Norton wet his lips with his tongue. The story seemed straight. But he wanted to ask one question.

"You were scared. Could happen to anyone. Ever have a run in with the law?"

The young fellow nodded his head in the affirmative. With his eyes down on the floor he continued speaking.

"When I was sixteen I went joy riding. There was a big shot in our neighborhood. Had a flashy car. Would take some of us out for a ride. Then one night the cops got us. The car was a hot one. But they believed my story that I didn't know anything about it. That's the only run in I ever had. You can see I want to stay clear of the law. Maybe that's why I was so scared when this man showed me his badge."

Ben Egan took his badge out of his pocket and showed it to the young fellow who studied it carefully for a few minutes.

"Was it like this badge? Get a close look at it?"

"I did get a good look at it," replied Dave Novack. "But the man held his thumb over part of the numbers. It was a police officer's badge. Of that I am certain."

"You go back to work," suggested Detective Al Norton. "We'll work out a set up for you to pay this fellow. Meanwhile we want to check with the Chief."

Chief Edward Mirkus listened to the facts from his two best detectives.

"Extortion is an ugly word," he said. "Use marked money. The fellow can always claim he was borrowing the money. But if you get him with the badge, then we have a case that

will stick. Chances are it is one of those phoney badges they sell. I just hate to think it was a real police badge. If you need any help, take some of the fellows from unassigned detail."

"We can handle this ourselves," asserted Detective Al Norton. "Just hope it is a sunny day tomorrow. That's all."

At six the next day, Dave Novack left the grocery store. As he walked out, he deliberately opened his pay envelope and took out the money. He placed the bills in his coat pocket. He was following instructions. He walked south on Pine Street. Suddenly from the shadows of a building a big bulk of a man appeared. He was dressed in a gray suit.

"Got the rest of the money for me?" inquired the man.

Dave Novack followed orders. He looked like a scared rabbit. There was a pleading look on his face.

"Please have a heart. I need the money for my landlady. Give me a break. I haven't done anything."

"You haven't?" reported the man in a tough voice. "I have been too lenient with you. A year in a cell will do you a lot of good."

Finishing those last words, he grabbed the arm of Dave Novack and then added.

"Give me that money now or I march you down and book you."

The young fellow took two ten dollars bills from his pocket and handed them to the man. The man slipped them into his coat pocket.

"Now stay out of trouble," he warned. "That's the best thing for you to do."

In a flash the man found himself in between Detective Al Norton and Ben Egan who had been able to listen to the loud voice of the man.

"Why don't you follow your own advice," suggested Ben Egan. "If you are a cop let's see your badge."

"None of your business who I am," swaggered the man. "You two get on your way or there will be trouble. I can handle myself."

"We are police officers," said Al Norton. "Now get against that wall while we shake you down. And you can see our badges before you decide to slug it out with us."

The man took a look at two real detective badges and offered no resistance. Al Norton found a real police badge on him, number

8723 and an unloaded .38 police gun.

"Where did you get the badge and the gun?" demanded Ben Egan.

"Won them both in a crap game," was the snippy reply. "You haven't got anything on me so you better let me go. I happen to know some very important people in this town. They can make it tough for you if I say the word."

"Just come with us to headquarters and you can make things as tough as you want. But not for us. For yourself," said Al Norton.

At headquarters the man was fingerprinted. He gave the name of Philip Simpson. But after his fingerprints were taken he gave another name.

"My real name is Louis Wineman," he admitted. "I did some time for burglary in the State Pen. No use trying to fool you guys. They say prints don't lie."

"But you do," pointed out Ben Egan. "The way you act you would think this was a joy party. The police badge you had was taken from Officer Nathan Lipper of 34th Precinct. And so was the gun. He was jumped one night and slugged. Got a concussion."

"I still say I got the badge and gun in a crap game. So stop beefing at me. What charges can you make stick?"

"Extortion and impersonating an officer," said Detective Al Norton. "If Officer Nathan Lipper recognizes you, then you have a first degree of assault and robbery. And we will print your picture in the papers. Ask people who were frightened into paying a fake officer to come and identify you."

Louis Wineman turned pale at that last possibility. He kept silent for a few minutes and then said.

"Give me a pen and paper. I'll tell you everything."

He wrote for more than half an hour. Then he turned to Detective Al Norton.

"I was a dope. Made a big mistake when I figured that delivery fellow to be chicken."

"A dope you are," agreed Ben Egan. "But the mistake you made was when you first went on the wrong side of the law."

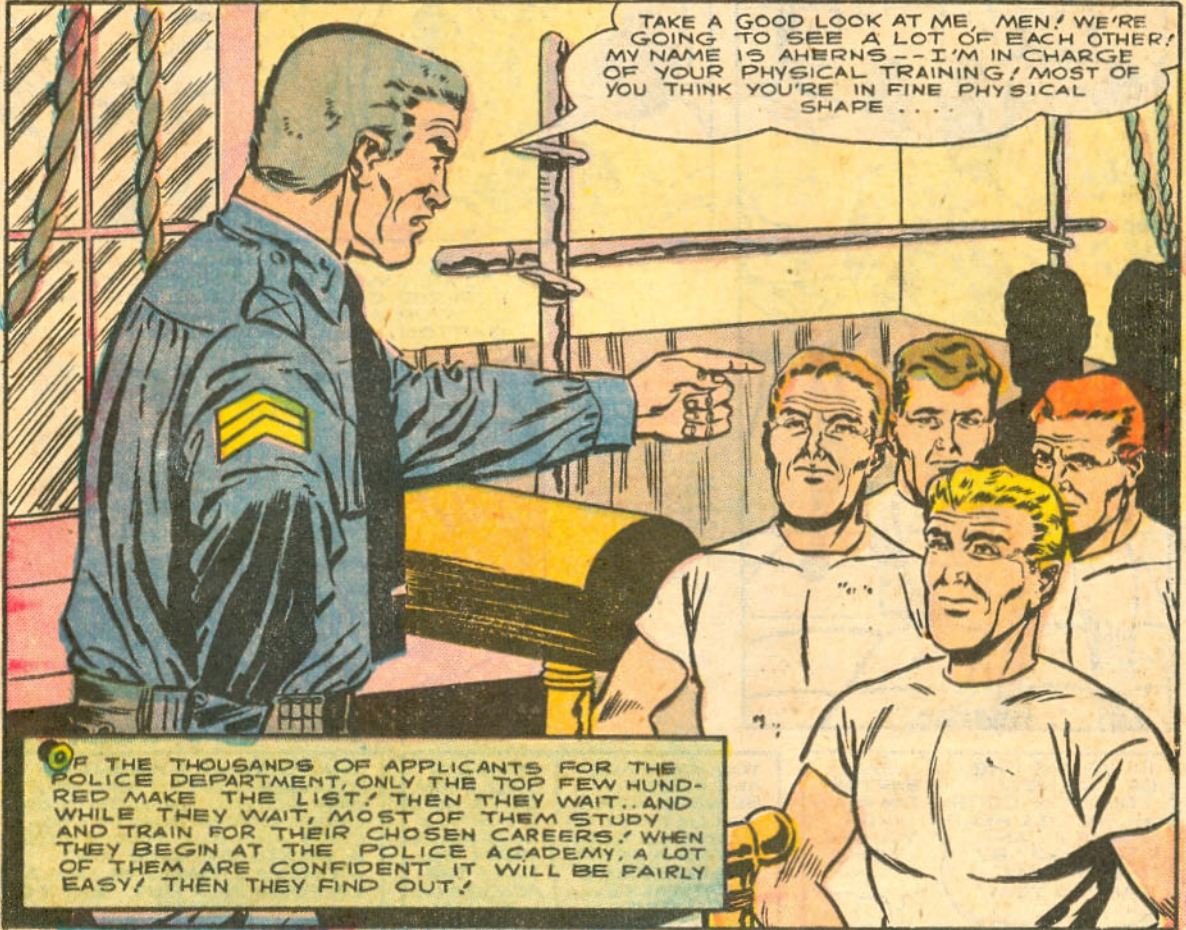
"Know something?" Interrupted Detective Al Norton. "I know the Warden where you are going. Maybe I'll ask him to give you number 8723 when you get to his place for free board and room service."

— The End —

ROOKIE COP

ROOKIE COP

in LEARNING THE HARD WAY



ROOKIE COP

THE ROOKIE CLASS LIFTED WEIGHTS, RAN UNTIL THEY WERE BREATHELESS, THEN SERGEANT AHEARN'S PUT THEM TO WORK!

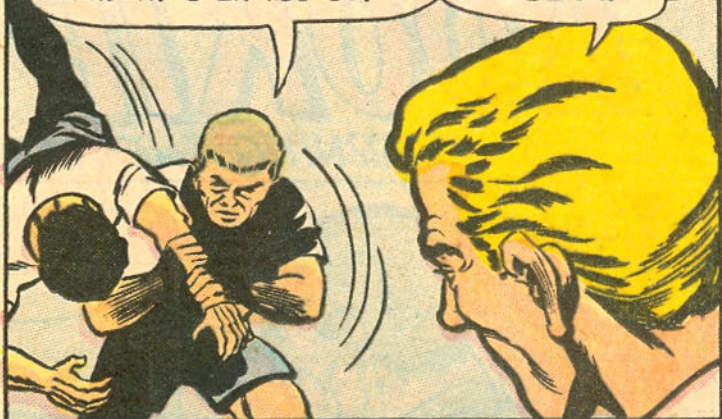
THE NEXT SUBJECT MEN, IS JUDO! HARDER, YOU LOOK PRETTY TOUGH--- KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT?

I WAS ON THE WRESTLING TEAM IN COLLEGE, SIR! I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF ON THE MAT!



THIS HOLD COMES IN HANDY, HARDER! OVER YOU GO!

MAN, THAT WAS SLICK!



YOU MEN WILL WALK A BEAT WITH AN EXPERIENCED OFFICER--- IT'S PART OF YOUR ACADEMY TRAINING--- BARTON, YOU'LL GO OUT WITH ELLIS!

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SO YOU'RE ONE OF THE NEW COLLEGE COPS, HUH? I'LL HELP YOU IF I CAN! LET'S GO, BY THE WAY, MY NAME IS TOM!

SAM BARTON! I'M READY WHEN YOU ARE, TOM!



YOU KIDS ARE ALL EAGER BEAVERS WHEN YOU GET OUT OF SCHOOL! THEN AFTER A YEAR OF POUNDING SIDEWALKS--- YOU LOSE YOUR GINGER!

MAYBE I WILL, TOM, BUT I HOPE I DON'T! I LOVE POLICE WORK SO FAR! THE ACADEMY IS TOUGH THOUGH!



THAT'S WHAT I MEANT BY COLLEGE COPS BEFORE! WHY DO YOU HAVE TO CLIMB OBSTACLES, RUN IN CIRCLES AND ALL THAT! IT'S A WASTE OF TIME AND MONEY! I SAY GIVE 'EM A UNIFORM AND PUT 'EM TO WORK!



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STUDYING AT NIGHT, ATTENDING SCHOOL DURING THE DAY, SAM FOUND THAT HE HAD LITTLE TIME FOR A SOCIAL LIFE.... BUT HE HAD SOME!



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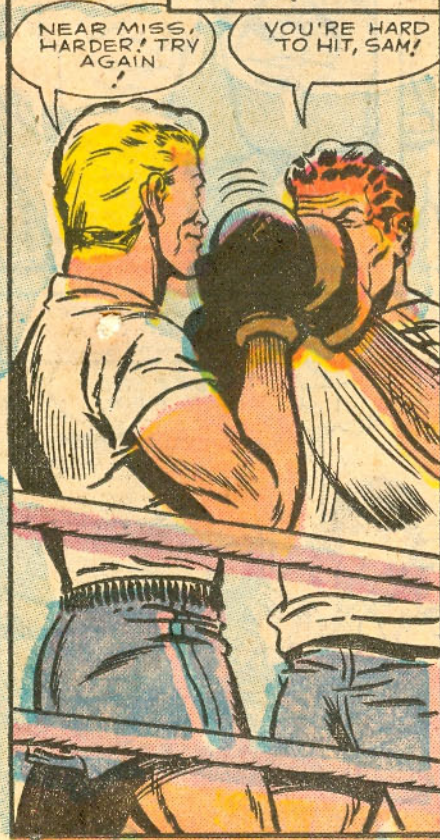
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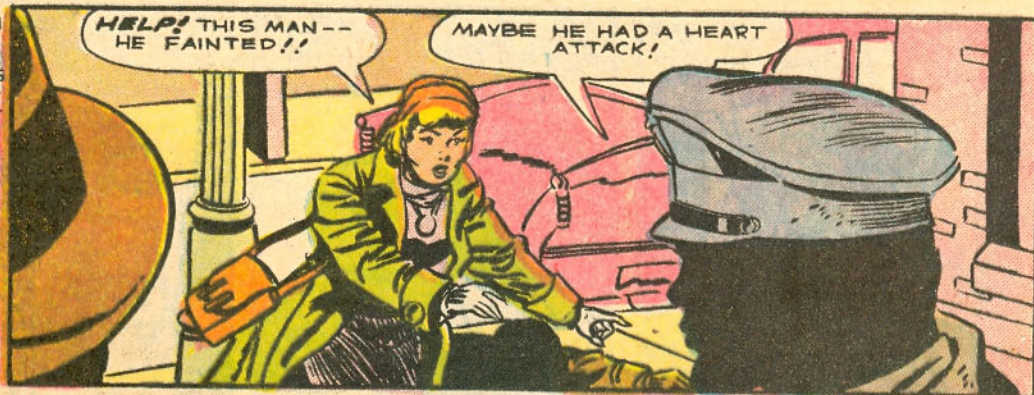


THE ROOKIE MADE HIS FIRST ARREST THAT NIGHT-- AS THE TIME WENT ON, HE MADE OTHERS-- STILL GOING TO SCHOOL, STUDYING NIGHTS!



ROOKIE COP

SAM BARTON WAS KEPT BUSY THAT DAY HELPING LOST CHILDREN, DIRECTING CONFUSED SHOPPERS... PETTY DETAILS. BUT HE ENJOYED HIS JOB!



WHY ARE YOU LOOKING IN HIS WALLET? DO SOMETHING FOR HIM!

SOMETIMES PEOPLE CARRY. I'M RIGHT!! HERE'S A NOTICE IN HIS WALLET SAYING HE'S A DIABETIC! AN AMBULANCE IS ON THE WAY-- THE DOCTOR CAN TREAT HIM IMMEDIATELY!



THE MAN WAS TREATED AND TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL-- WELL OUT OF HIS DIABETIC COMA THANKS TO THE ROOKIE COP'S COOL-HEADEDNESS.

YOU USED YOUR HEAD THAT TIME, BARTON! THE DOCTOR SAID THE INSULIN WAS JUST IN TIME TO SAVE HIS LIFE.

THEY TEACH US A LITTLE MEDICINE AT THE ACADEMY TOO, TOM! ONE OF THESE DAYS YOU MAY CHANGE YOUR MIND ABOUT 'COLLEGE COPS'!



I'M TIRED OF SQUALLING BRATS AND TIRED SHOPPERS! I'LL BE GLAD WHEN WE GET BACK TO OUR OLD BEAT! NOTHING EVER HAPPENS HERE.

TAKE IT EASY, TOM! KIDS GET LOST AND TRUDGING THROUGH THESE STORES IS TOUGH ON THE LADIES. I'M GLAD OF A CHANCE TO HELP THEM!



WELL, I'M GLAD YOU'RE GLAD! WHEN YOU GET BACK TO THE ACADEMY, TELL THEM HOW YOUR ROAD WORK AND JUDO HELPED YOU FIGHT THE BATTLE OF THE BARGAIN COUNTERS.

HAVE YOUR FUN, TOM, I STILL SAY THE ACADEMY HAS A FINE SCHEDULE !!



IT WAS BORING DUTY-- THEN SUDDENLY THE MONOTONY WAS SNAPPED BY A TERRIFIED SCREAM!

POLICE! STOP THOSE MEN!

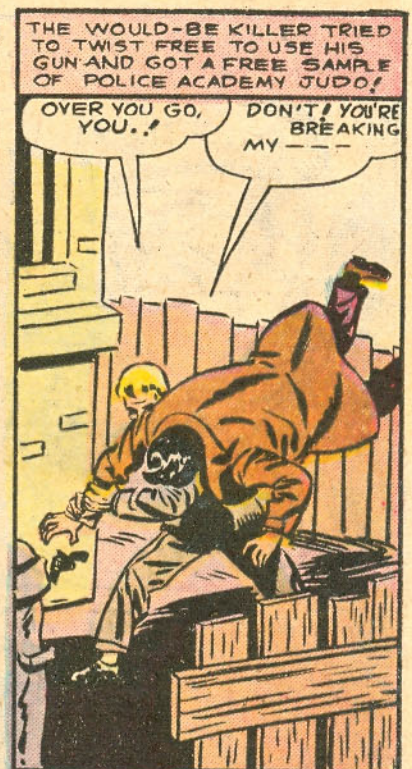
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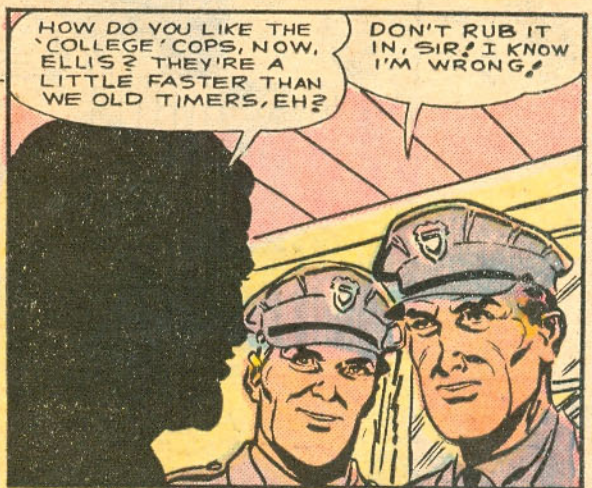
THE RIGOROUS TRAINING AT THE POLICE ACADEMY WAS PAYING OFF THEN! THE ROOKIE COP WENT THROUGH THE CROWD LIKE A BROKEN FIELD RUNNER.



ROOKIE COP



THE TWO THIEVES WERE BOOK-ED ON FELONIOUS ASSAULT, VIOLATION OF THE SULLIVAN LAW AND ARMED ROBBERY!



THE END

ROOKIE COP

YOU'VE BEEN A WISE GUY AND A HECKLER TO THE REGULAR GUYS ON THE POLICE EMERGENCY SQUAD. YOU'RE A ROOKIE... AND THOUGHT THIS JOB ISN'T SO TOUGH... UNTIL YOU HANG IN MID-AIR 300 FT TO THE RIVER BELOW, SUSPENDED BY A FRAYED ROPE ABOUT TO GIVE... AND THEN YOU REALIZE THAT DEATH IS STARING YOU IN THE FACE... YOUR STRENGTH IS GOING... AND YOUR CONFIDENCE IS FADING... UP THERE ON THAT...

HIGH BRIDGE



I... I CAN'T TAKE THIS MUCH LONGER... M. MY HANDS ARE GETTING WEAK...

TO MITCH CORUM, JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES, BEING A ROOKIE ON THE POLICE EMERGENCY SQUAD WAS JUST ANOTHER TASK...

GLAD TO MEET YOU SGT. WAYNE! THEY TOLD ME YOU'RE THE MAN TO STICK WITH ON THESE ASSIGNMENTS!

CALL ME 'POPS', MITCH! EVERYONE DOES! YEAH, I GUESS I KNOW THE ROPES PRETTY WELL!



WHEN I APPLIED FOR THIS JOB, I THOUGHT I'D SEE SOME ACTION. I'VE DONE MANY THINGS, BUT WHAT I CRAVE... IS ADVENTURE! SILLY, ISN'T IT?

NOPE! WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE, I HAD THE SAME BUG... BUT... YOU'LL... LEARN!



WHAT? NO, LADY... WE DON'T RESCUE STRAY CATS STUCK IN DRAINPIPES! CALL THE A.S.P.C.A.!



ROOKIE COP

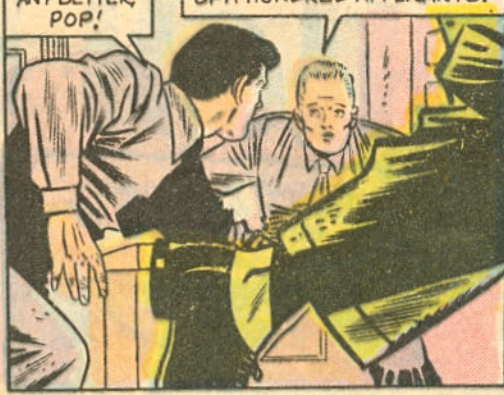
ONE OF YOUR 'UNSATISFIED CUSTOMERS?'

NOT QUITE, SON! THE POLICE EMERGENCY SQUAD IS A SPECIAL ORGANIZATION THAT MOST CITIZENS DON'T KNOW ABOUT! THAT'S JUST WHAT WE HANDLE, EMERGENCIES! EACH MAN HAS TO HAVE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF A POLICE OFFICER... PLUS A DOZEN OTHER SPECIALTIES!

CLANG! CLANG!

I'D SWEAR I WAS A FIRE-MAN IF I DIDN'T KNOW ANY BETTER, POP!

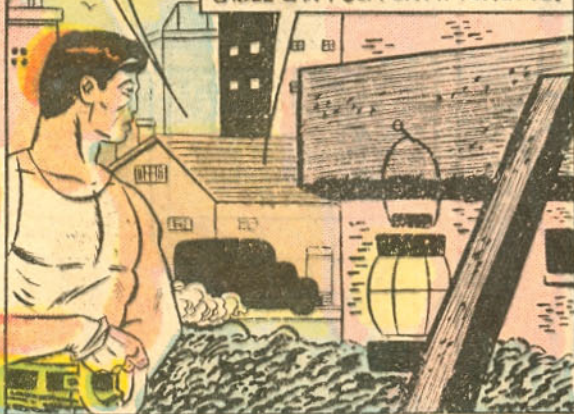
IT'S TOUGH ON THEM TOO! BUT YOU'LL SEE THE DIFFERENCE! COME ON! YOU'LL SEE WHY YOU WERE PICKED OUT OF A HUNDRED APPLICANTS!



MOMENTS LATER, TEARING THROUGH THE STREETS...

WHAT'S UP, CHIEF?

THE EXPRESS ELEVATOR IS STUCK ON THE SEVENTY-THIRD FLOOR OF THE KANDLER BUILDING! THE MAINTENANCE MEN SAY THE CABLE CAN'T SUPPORT IT FOR LONG!



AND WITHIN MINUTES, THE SQUAD REACHED THEIR DESTINATION!

THEY'LL BE HURT! I HEARD THAT SCRAPING SOUND! THE ELEVATOR IS GOING TO FALL!

TAKE IT EASY, MISS! GET BACK FOLKS!

OKAY, MITCH! HERE WE GO!



YOU GUYS FOLLOW ME! GET THAT WINCH UP THERE! GASPI-GASP!... ADAMS! BRING THAT CROW-BAR! WE MAY HAVE TO PRY OPEN THAT DOOR!

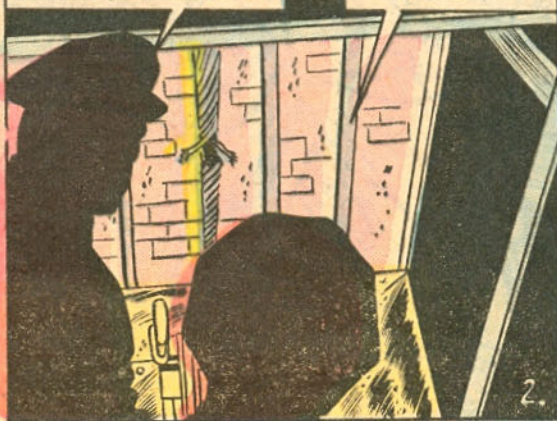
PUFF.. PUFF.. BOY.. YOU WEREN'T KIDDING, POP! SEVENTY-THREE FLOORS IS SURE TIRING! TOO BAD THE OTHER ELEVATORS AREN'T WORKING!



FORTY MINUTES LATER, ON THE SEVENTY-FOURTH FLOOR...

STAND BY, GUYS! MITCH! GRAB HOLD OF MY LEGS... AND DON'T LET GO NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!

DON'T WORRY! I.. I DON'T EVEN WANT TO LOOK DOWN!



ROOKIE COP

MOMENTS LATER...

W-W-E'RE GOING TO FALL! HELP ME! PLEASE!

EASY NOW, MISS! I'VE GOT YOU! THAT'S IT! COME ON NOW! YOU'RE OKAY!



AND AFTER THE WORK IS FINISHED...

WHEN! GUESS I'M GETTING OLD! I WAS ACTUALLY SHAKING!

I THOUGHT IT WAS FUN! I MEAN, THIS IS REALLY TAME AFTER WHAT I WAS LED TO BELIEVE!

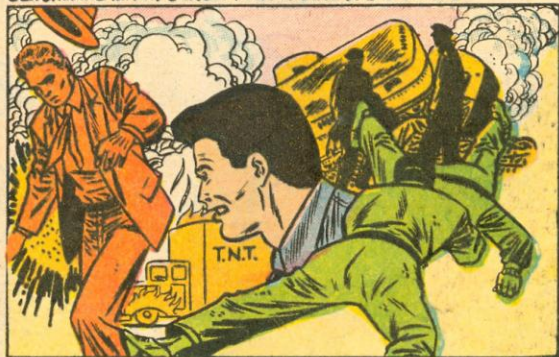


TAKE IT SLOW, SON! THE FUN HASN'T REALLY STARTED YET! YOU'LL LEARN IN TIME! SEE YOU IN THE MORNING!

OKAY! JUST LET ME KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY CATS TO BE SAVED! HA...HA... SEE YOU!



IT WAS INCREDIBLE THAT ONE MAN COULD BE SO HAPPY-GO-LUCKY DURING THE ACTION PACKED, SPINE-CHILLING WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED. GAS LINES BURST, WATER MAINS BROKE, EMERGENCY AFTER EMERGENCY...AND MITCH CORUM TOOK IT LIKE A BIG JOKE!



THEN, ONE MORNING, REPORTING TO WORK...

HI, GUYS! ANY NEW EMERGENCIES WHILE I WAS AWAY? THEY OUGHT TO LABEL US THE CITY COMMAND-DOES!

WHY DONCHA GET LOST CORUM? IF POP CAN'T INFLUENCE YOU.., WE CAN'T EITHER! IF YOU THINK THIS JOB IS TOO TAME, GET YOURSELF ANOTHER!



CLANG! CLANG! CLANG!

THERE GOES THE 'FIRE-GONG! LIGHTS, ACTION, CAMERA!

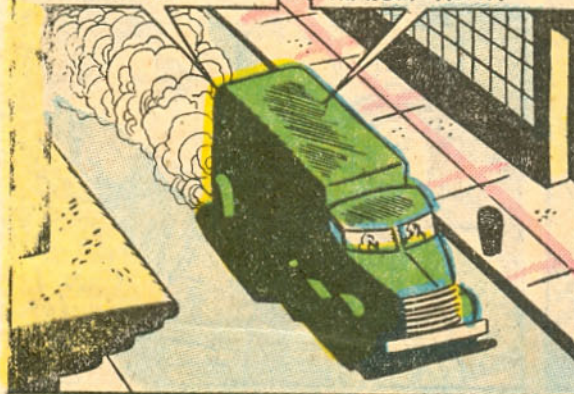
SPEED IT UP, GUYS! THERE'S A SUICIDE ON THE FOLSOM BRIDGE! HE'S GOING INTO A SWAN-DIVE ANY SECOND!



ROOKIE COP

HEY GUYS! WE DIDN'T BRING OUR SWORDS ALONG! WHY BACK IN THE THIRTEENTH CENTURY WED OF BEEN KNIGHTED FOR OUR GALLANTRY!

OF ALL THE GUYS TO PICK ON A SQUAD POP... YOU HAVTA PICK A REAL WISENHEIMER! BRR-ITHEER! WITH THAT ATTITUDE, HE'LL GET HIMSELF HURT!



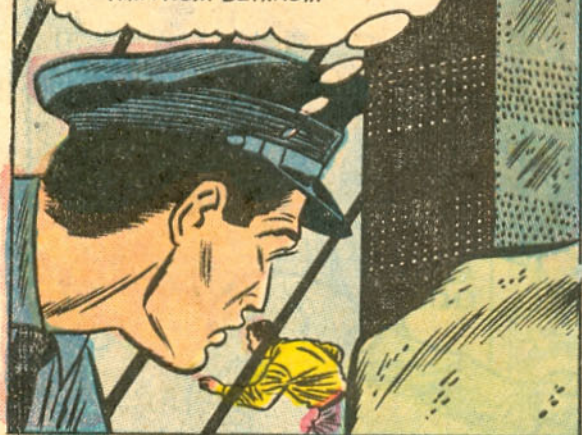
THE BRIDGE... AND A MAN WITH TROUBLES... POISED... READY TO JUMP... A CROWD OF GRIM SPECTATORS TRYING TO STOP HIM, BUT NOT DARING TO MOVE...

DON'T COME NEAR ME! I HATE EVERYONE IN THIS WORLD... HATE THEM! WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE ME ALONE? WHY??
-SOB- SOB-

OH, OH... WE HAVE A REAL CASE ON OUR HANDS! SSSST! DON'T MAKE A SOUND!!

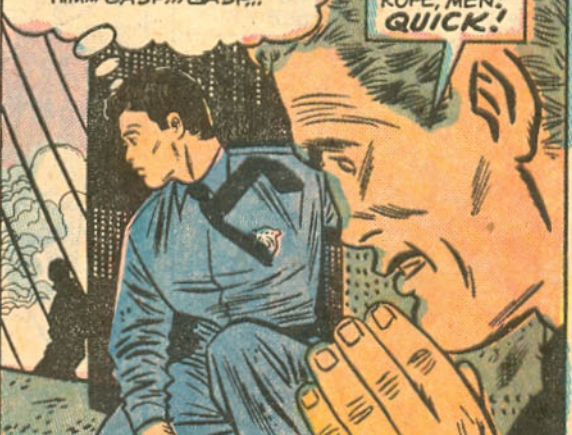


THIS WAITING ISN'T HELPING THE GUY ANY! SOONER OR LATER, HE'S GOING TO MAKE HIS MIND UP ONE WAY OR ANOTHER! I'LL SEE IF I CAN REACH HIM FROM BEHIND...



LET'S SEE, IF I CAN CLIMB THAT ABUTMENT... AND SWING MYSELF OVER THE LEDGE, I'LL BE IN A POSITION TO TACKLE HIM... GASP... GASP...

MITCH! COME BACK! DON'T BE CRAZY!! GET ME A ROPE, MEN! QUICK!



MITCH! THIS IS FOOLISH! COME DOWN! YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO SAVE HIM IN TIME! IT'S THREE HUNDRED FEET TO THE WATER! ONE SLIP AND YOU' WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT YOU!

I'LL TAKE MY CHANCES, POP! THIS IS THE KINDA THING I LOVE TO DO! SO LONG!



GET THESE ROPES AROUND ME, BOYS! THAT DURN FOOL WILL BE SWEEPED RIGHT OFF HIS FEET BY THE AIR CURRENTS!

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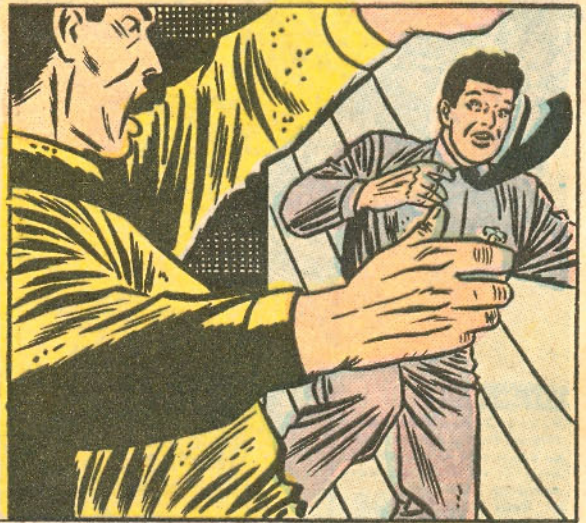
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MEANWHILE MITCH CORUM WAS ADVANCING TOWARDS HIS MAN...

JUST A FEW MORE FEET... AND I'LL BE OVER HIM! OH, OH, HE'S SEEN ME!

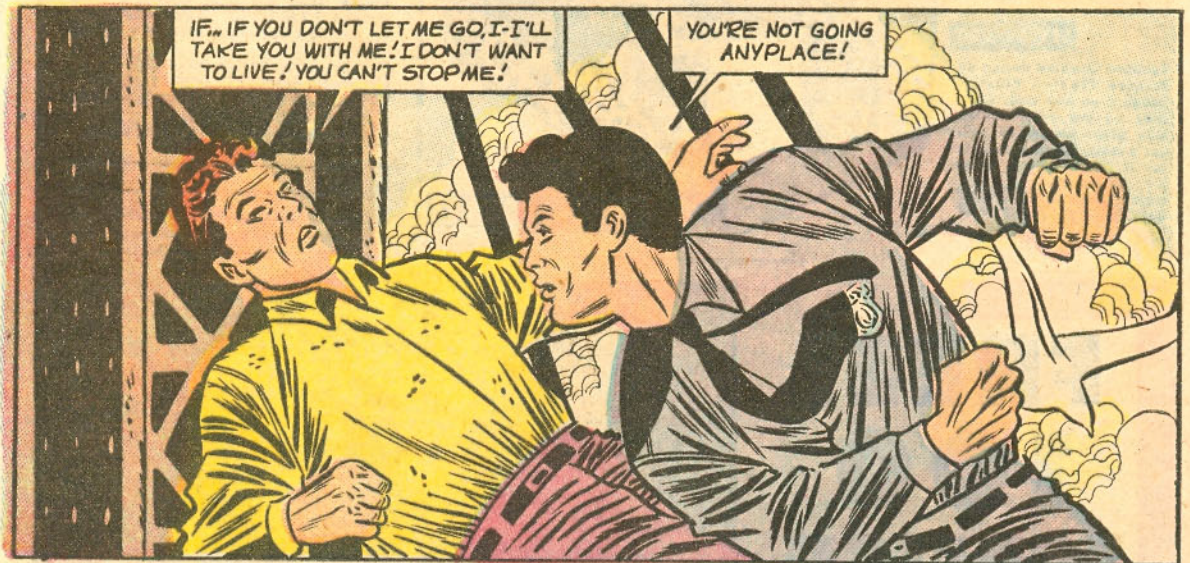
YOU WANT TO TRICK ME LIKE THE REST! ALL RIGHT! I-I'M GOING TO JUMP!

NO YOU DON'T!!



IF... IF YOU DON'T LET ME GO, I-I'LL TAKE YOU WITH ME! I DON'T WANT TO LIVE! YOU CAN'T STOP ME!

YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYPLACE!



THE TERRIBLE STRUGGLE CONTINUED FOR A FEW MORE SECONDS. THEN...

HE'S OUT! NOW THE PROBLEM IS TO GET HIM OFF THIS LEDGE AND BACK TO THE RAILING!!

SILENCE FELL, TENSE AND OMINOUS... ACCOMPANIED NOW BY A WAILING BANSHEE WIND THAT THREATENED TO ENGULF THE ENTIRE STRUCTURE OF WIRE AND STEEL...

GRAB THAT ROPE, SON! HOLD ONTO IT! JUST STAY PUT! THESE WIND CURRENTS UP HERE ARE TREACHEROUS!

NUTS! JUST WHEN I HAVE THE GUY QUIET, THIS WIND HAS TO START!



ROOKIE COP

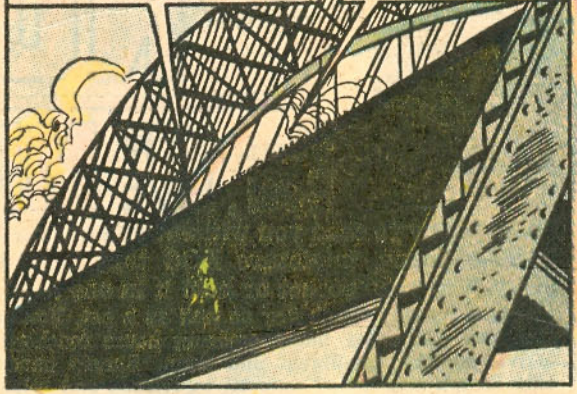
SUDDENLY...

HOLY SMOKE! I SLIPPED AND NOW THE ROPE IS STARTING TO GIVE...A...AND I'M SUSPENDED IN MID-AIR!!

MINUTES TICKED BY... AND THE WIND WAILED LIKE A SHRIEKING WOMAN... AND THE LIVES OF TWO MEN HUNG IN THE BALANCE...

H-HURRY, POP! THE ROPE'S GONNA GIVE ANY MOMENT! I CAN'T HOLD ON MUCH LONGER! HURRY!!

RELAX, SON! I'LL BE WITH YOU PRETTY SOON! **HOLD ON** FOR GOD'S SALES!



GET IT TIGHT, MITCH! QUICK!

IT...IT'S GIVING! I-I'M GOING TO FALL!!



THANK GOD!!



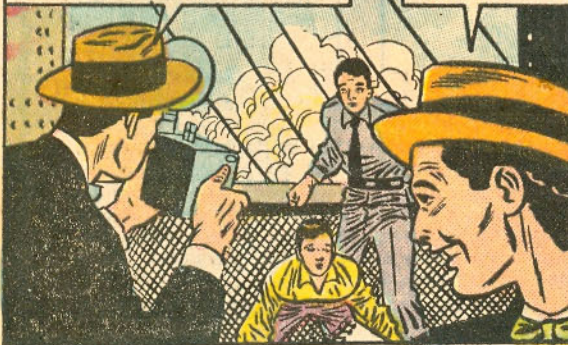
SLOW AGONIZING SECONDS OF BEING LIFTED TO A RAILING... FRANTIC HANDS GROPPING FOR A HOLD... THEN CONCRETE UNDER ONE'S FEET!... VOICES, SHOUTS, EXCITED PEOPLE...

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HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE A HERO SIR? ANY STATEMENTS?

SURE! MAKE CERTAIN YOU GET THIS RIGHT! I'M NO HERO! I WAS SCARED STIFF OUT THERE! I WAS PART OF A TEAM THAT PULLED ME THROUGH! PUBLICIZE **THEM**! THE HERO IS THE POLICE EMERGENCY SQUAD!

LET'S GO HOME, SON! YOU'VE LEARNED YOUR FIRST LESSON! YOU'LL **LIVE** FROM NOW ON!



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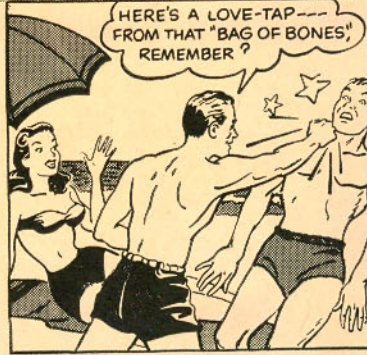
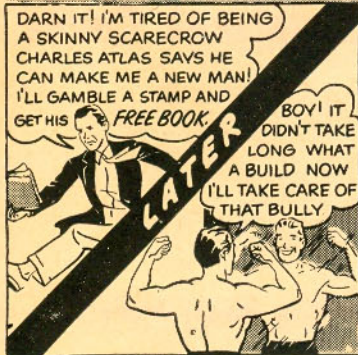
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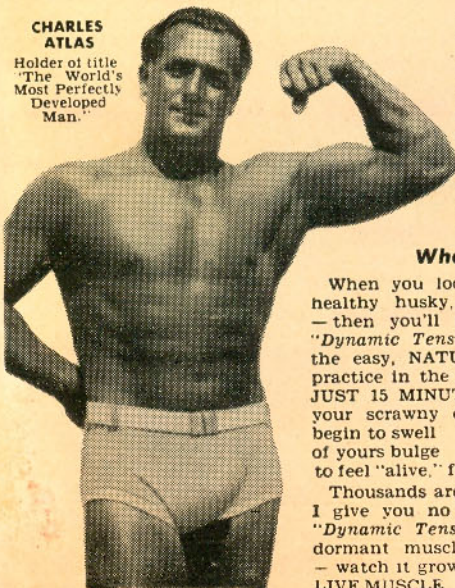
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